

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Ni et al.

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For: 207 Human Secreted Proteins

Examiner: B. L. Sisson

RESPONSE TO OBJECTION TO FORMAT OF AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


The Examiner's communication mailed October 1, 2004 raised an objection to the format of the reply filed September 16, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment filed September 16, 2004 is properly formatted as set forth under M.P.E.P. 714.22 [R-2], Section II C, i.e., the claims are presented as clean versions with the appropriate status identifiers. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the reply filed September 16, 2004 is fully responsive to the prior Office Action and request reconsideration and withdraw of this objection.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-made amendments and remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the instant application. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below if any further action by Applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

Applicants submit herewith a fee for 1 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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